

Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

Arlington County, Virginia

HALRB Case 14-21 (HP1400039)



A request by John & Margaret Ross, owners of 2336 North Fillmore Street in the Maywood Neighborhood Historic District, to the rear yard: 1) replace the current flagstone patio and extend its footprint; 2) replace a current wood retaining wall with a stone-faced concrete block retaining wall that contains a gas outdoor fireplace insert; 3) replace a 4' tall picket fence with a 7' tall privacy fence; and 4) construct a new pergola.

For DRC (*circle those present*): **Robert Dudka, Charles Craig, Charles Matta, Andrew Wenchel, Tova Solo, Erin May, Joan Lawrence**

For Arlington County (*circle those present*): **Cynthia Liccese-Torres, Rebecca Ballo, John Liebertz**

Case # 14-21 Agenda Item # 2

Application Complete

Application Incomplete

Applicant(s): John Ross

For Applicant(s):

(See attached application for applicant, address, name of property and property description, drawings, photographs, and proposed scope of work.)

Design Recommendations:

1. Utilize vertical boards instead of horizontal boards for a more traditional privacy fence.
2. Please include a section of the proposed fence.
3. Please include a detailed drawing of the gate and posts.

Findings:

- Return to next DRC meeting
- Send to HALRB (see below for recommended actions)

If sent to HALRB, recommended action is:

- Place on consent agenda
- Place on discussion agenda:
- Recommend approval of CoA, with DRC design recommendations and/or additional information provided
 - Recommend deferral of ruling on CoA (explanation):
 - Recommend denial of CoA (explanation):
 - No recommendation.



CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS STAFF REPORT

TO: HALRB
FROM: John Liebertz, Historic Preservation Planner
DATE: September 9, 2014
SUBJECT: 2336 North Fillmore Street, CoA 14-21, Maywood Historic District

This application is a proposal by the owners for landscape alterations to the dwelling located at 2336 North Fillmore Street in the Maywood Historic District. According to the *National Register Nomination*:

The three-bay-wide, wood-frame four-square dwelling rests on a solid parged foundation. It is clad with wood shingles, and has a hipped roof sheathed in asphalt shingles. The one-story, three-bay, half-hip-roof front porch has square posts. Windows are 6/1 vinyl-sash, set off by unmolded wood surrounds. Other notable features include a hip-roof dormer with 4-light windows, a wood fascia, projecting eaves, and a wood soffit.

Built in 1997, the building and its garage are non-contributing to the historic district.

The current proposal calls for the following changes in the rear yard:

- 1) Removal of planter boxes.
- 2) Expansion of the patio footprint to 32' x 18'.
- 3) Replacement of the current flagstone patio with Caderock Pennsylvania Flagstone.
- 4) Replacement of wood retaining wall with a stone-veneer cement block retaining wall.
 - a. Wall will include an outdoor fireplace insert.
- 5) Construction of a new wood pergola.
- 6) Removal of existing picket fence and replacement with a 7'-tall wood privacy fence.
 - a. Fence will have cedar caps.

The DRC heard this case at its September 3, 2014, meeting. The DRC and staff had similar concerns regarding the appropriateness of the proposed wood privacy fence with horizontal boards in relation to the overall character of the historic district. The DRC requested the applicant consider the use of standard vertical boards without gaps in the design of the fence and include additional drawings. The applicant complied with all of the requests.

The DRC recommended that the CoA application be placed on the consent agenda for the September 17, 2014, HALRB meeting. Staff finds that the request to alter the landscape complies with Chapter 7: Site Elements and Appendix B: ACoA/Fences of the *Maywood Design Guidelines* and recommends approval.